

REMARKS

The present application includes claims 1-20. By this Amendment, claims 21-31 have been added.

New claims 21-24 depend from claim 1. Claim 21 recites the limitation that the desired distance of claim 1 is a uniform distance. Claims 22-24 recite the limitation that a region of interest of a patient is maintained. New claim 25 and its dependent claims 26-28 also recite a patient region of interest at a central axis of the system. New claim 29 and dependent claims 30 and 31 recite the limitation that the x-ray source and receptor are moved to maintain a central axis corresponding to a patient region of interest. The Applicant respectfully submits that these claims and the claims originally filed in the present application are allowable.

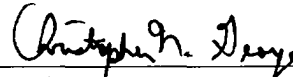
CONCLUSION

The Applicant submits that the claims define allowable subject matter. The Applicant looks forward to working with the Examiner to resolve any remaining issues.

If the Examiner has any questions or the Applicant can be of any assistance, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact the Applicant at the number below.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any necessary fees or credit any overpayment to the USPTO Deposit Account GTC, Account No. 070845.

Respectfully submitted,



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